



Draft Planning Proposal

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Additional permitted uses in SP2 Infrastructure (Drainage) and RE1 Public Recreation zones

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Part 1 – Objectives and intended outcomes

1.1 Objective

The objective of this Planning Proposal is to provide Council with greater flexibility in how public land is used. It seeks to make amendments to the land use zone tables in both the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts – Central River City) 2021* and *Blacktown Local Environmental Plan 2015* to:

- include 'recreation area' as a use that is permitted with consent on land zoned for drainage uses
- include 'drainage' and 'flood mitigation works' as uses that are permitted with consent in recreation areas (where these are not already permitted).

1.2 Intended outcomes

The proposed amendments will enable greater flexibility and efficiency for Council to provide appropriate infrastructure and works across public land, regardless of whether the land is zoned for recreational or drainage uses, where these uses are compatible with the primary function of the land.

1.3 Background – previous Planning Proposal

On 1 December 2023, Council lodged the North West Growth Area (NWGA) Stormwater Management – Reduced Basin Strategy Planning Proposal (PP-2023-2699) on the NSW Planning Portal. The NWGA Stormwater Management Reduced Basin Strategy Planning Proposal sought to make 2 types of amendments:

- amendments to land use zones to permit the use 'recreation area' on land zoned for drainage uses, and to permit 'drainage' and 'flood mitigation works' on land zoned for public recreation uses. These are the same amendments proposed in this current Planning Proposal
- site-specific amendments to rezone land identified as surplus to drainage needs in the North West Growth Area (NWGA).

On 29 October 2023, the NSW Government announced its intention not to proceed with the residential rezoning of areas of Marsden Park North and West Schofields precincts, as exhibited in 2018. The 2023 announcement means that most of the site-specific rezoning amendments proposed in the NWGA Stormwater Management Reduced Basin Strategy Planning Proposal were unable to proceed at that point in time. This is because parts of the stormwater management system in the Eastern Creek catchment are dependent on the construction of the downstream detention system when the Marsden Park North and West Schofields Precincts are developed.

On 11 December 2024, Council resolved:

1. to write to the NSW Government requesting a Gateway Alteration to the NWGA Stormwater Management – Reduced Basin Strategy Planning Proposal to:
 - a. split the Planning Proposal into 2 parts
 - b. progress the part with the proposed land use permissibility changes

- c. withdraw the part with the site-specific rezoning of surplus drainage land.
2. staff to investigate the potential for a new planning proposal for the withdrawn sites when there is a viable downstream stormwater management solution in the Marsden Park North and West Schofields Precincts.

On 13 December 2024 Council wrote to the NSW Government requesting a Gateway Alteration to the NWGA Stormwater Management Planning Proposal in accordance with the above Council resolution. The request for a Gateway Alteration was not supported. Subsequently, Council withdrew the NWGA Stormwater Management – Reduced Basin Strategy Planning Proposal on 29 January 2025.

This is a new Planning Proposal seeking to make the same broad land use permissibility amendments as originally proposed in the NWGA Stormwater Management – Reduced Basin Strategy Planning Proposal, in accordance with the Council resolution on 11 December 2024 to progress the broad-scale land use permissibility changes.

Part 2 – Explanation of provisions

This Planning Proposal seeks the following amendments.

State Environmental Planning Policy (Sydney Region Growth Centres) 2021

- Amend the land use table in the following appendices to make ‘recreation area’ permissible with consent in the SP2 Infrastructure (Drainage) zone:
 - Appendix 6 Riverstone West Precinct Plan
 - Appendix 7 Alex Avenue and Riverstone Precinct Plan 2010
 - Appendix 8 area 20 Precinct Plan
 - Appendix 9 Schofields Precinct Plan
 - Appendix 11 Blacktown Growth Centre Precinct Plan

Appendix 13 Marsden Park Industrial Precinct Plan does not require amendment as ‘recreation area’ is already permitted with consent in the SP2 Infrastructure zone in this precinct.

- Amend the following appendix to make ‘drainage’ permissible with consent in the RE1 Public Recreation zone:
 - Appendix 13 Marsden Park Industrial Precinct

Other appendices relating to land in the Blacktown LGA do not require amendment as ‘drainage’ is already permissible with consent in the RE1 zone in these precincts

Blacktown Local Environmental Plan 2015

- Amend the Land Use Table to make ‘recreation area’ permissible with consent in the SP2 Infrastructure (Drainage) zone
- Amend the Land Use Table to make ‘drainage’ and ‘flood mitigation works’ permissible with consent in the RE1 Public Recreation zone.

The intention of the proposed amendments is to allow Council more flexibility in how it uses public land. As our population increases, the demand for open space and recreation areas also increases. The proposed amendments will allow for multiple uses where this is compatible with the primary function of the land.

In particular, the topography in the North West Growth Area is generally relatively flat. This means that stormwater detention basins are shallow and wide to work effectively. When not in use for stormwater management and where appropriate, such land may be suited to low intensity recreation uses, such as off-leash dog parks, kickaround spaces or form part of walking or cycling paths. Currently, however, we are unable to design our public spaces for such dual uses because 'recreation areas' are not a permissible use in the SP2 Infrastructure (Drainage) zone. This Planning Proposal will provide the flexibility to use public land more efficiently and effectively for the benefit of our community.

Across the entirety of the Blacktown local government area, around 594 hectares of land is zoned SP2 Infrastructure (Drainage). Of this, approximately 80% is owned by Council or another public entity (including Sydney Water), or is identified for future acquisition by a public entity. The remainder, approximately 120 hectares, is in business ownership (16%) or privately owned (4%).

Land zoned SP2 Infrastructure (Drainage) that is located in the North West Growth Area is generally also identified for public acquisition. The privately-owned SP2 Infrastructure (Drainage) zoned land is generally located in the established parts of Blacktown City, and tends to be creek lines, often channelised, and the flood storage area immediately adjoining the creek. The land is generally identified as flood prone land.

Examples of privately-owned drainage land include creek lines located in:

- E3 Productivity Support and E4 General Industrial zoned land in Seven Hills
- RE2 Private Recreation zoned land at Fox Hills Golf Club, Prospect.

Whilst the land is privately-owned, the drainage function is protected by:

- State government restrictions on filling of creeks and waterways
- Blacktown Development Control Plan 2015 controls for development on flood affected land
- easements and restrictions on title in relation to the ongoing operation and maintenance of drainage infrastructure.

We will review our existing DCP controls and update if required to ensure the proposed amendments do not prioritise other uses over the primary zoned function of the land.

Part 3 – Justification of strategic and site-specific merit

3.1 Section A – Need for the Planning Proposal

3.1.1 Is the Planning Proposal a result of an endorsed LSPS, strategic study or report?

Yes.

This Planning Proposal seeks to increase the amount of land available for low impact recreation uses through enabling dual uses for both recreation area and drainage or flood mitigation works on public land zoned either SP2 Infrastructure (Drainage) or RE1 Public Recreation where a dual use is compatible with the primary function of the land.

The following publicly available reports and policies support the need for open space, and to make more efficient use of land through seeking opportunities for dual use or increased accessibility to public land.

- *North West Priority Growth Area Land Use and Infrastructure Implementation Plan 2017* (NSW Government). Page 54 acknowledges that the North West Growth Area is experiencing greater residential densities than initially anticipated, and the need to cater for the future communities' access to open space and other supporting infrastructure.
- *West Schofields Precinct Exhibition Discussion Paper 2018* (NSW Government). Page 24 acknowledges that the development of the NWGA is progressing with higher densities than imagined when the Growth Centres were first established, and the advantage of seeking opportunities to provide additional open space to address the demand.
- *State Environmental Planning Policy (Sydney Region Growth Centres) Amendment (Alex Avenue and Riverstone Precincts) 2010* (NSW Government). The Post-exhibition Planning Report page 23 specifically supports the provision of open space to meet the needs of new population, and the principle of co-location of open space adjacent to public schools or trunk drainage to maximise opportunities for dual uses or increased accessibility and minimise impact on developable land.
- NSW Government's "Share our Spaces" program seeks to increase efficiency in how public land is used by creating opportunities for access to open space and recreational facilities on public land where this is compatible with the primary function of the land.
- *North West Growth Area Blacktown Precincts Revised growth forecasts and analysis of unplanned infrastructure needs 2020*, endorsed by Blacktown City Council on 29 April 2020. This report analysed development trends in the North West Growth Area to 2019 and found that the rate of development exceeded that planned for at precinct planning stage. At the time of the report, the delivered density and population had resulted in a shortfall of 24 hectares of open space. If the same rate of density and population continued to be delivered, the report estimates the North West Growth Area may provide over 30,000 additional dwellings and 100,000 additional residents than originally planned for. This will result in a shortfall of around 300 hectares of active and passive open space across the North West Growth Area.

While the above reports focus on a need for open space in the North West Growth Area, current NSW Government policies and housing reform focus on increasing density

around existing centres with high levels of accessibility and services. This will result in increased demand for open space and recreation facilities in existing centres. These policies include the Low and Mid-Rise Housing Policy and Transport Oriented Development Program, and is reflected in the Greater Sydney Region Plan. The Region Plan in turn is reflected in the *Blacktown City Council Local Strategic Planning Statement 2020* and *Blacktown Housing Strategy 2020*. The objective of this Planning Proposal to enable more efficient use of public land to maximise the benefit to the community of this important, and increasingly scarce, public asset, is consistent with the above State and local policy positions.

3.1.2 Is the Planning Proposal the best means of achieving the objectives or intended outcomes, or is there a better way?

Yes.

The objective of the Planning Proposal can only be achieved by amending the land use tables in the relevant instruments, and a Planning Proposal is the only means currently available to amend the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts – Central River City) 2021* and *Blacktown Local Environmental Plan 2015*.

3.2 Section B – Relationship to the strategic planning framework

3.2.1 Will the Planning Proposal give effect to the objectives and actions of the applicable regional or district plan or strategy (including any exhibited draft plans or strategies)?

The Planning Proposal gives effect to the objectives and actions of the following plans and policies.

a. Greater Sydney Region Plan: A Metropolis of Three Cities

The Region Plan is the overarching strategic plan for the Greater Sydney Region. The Plan is built on a vision of three cities where most residents live 30 minutes travel time from their jobs, education and health facilities, services and great places.

As detailed at attachment 1, the Planning Proposal is consistent with the following directions and objectives in the Region Plan:

- Direction: A city supported by infrastructure
 - Objective 1: Infrastructure supports the three cities
 - Objective 2: Infrastructure aligns with forecast growth
 - Objective 3: Infrastructure adapts to meet future needs
 - Objective 4: Infrastructure use is optimised
- Direction: A city for people
 - Objective 6: Services and infrastructure meet communities' changing needs
 - Objective 7: Communities are healthy, resilient and socially connected
- Direction: A city of great places
 - Objective 12: Great places that bring people together
- Direction: A city in its landscape
 - Objective 31: Public open space is accessible, protected and enhanced

- Objective 32: The Green Grid links parks, open spaces, bushland and walking and cycling paths.

b. Central City District Plan

The District Plan is a 20-year plan to manage growth in the context of economic, social and environmental factors to achieve the 40-year vision for Greater Sydney. It is a guide for implementing the Region Plan, at a district level.

As detailed at attachment 1, the Planning Proposal is consistent with the following Planning Priorities in the District Plan:

- Planning Priority C1: Planning for a city supported by infrastructure
- Planning Priority C3: Providing services and social infrastructure to meet people's changing needs
- Planning Priority C4: Fostering healthy, creative, culturally rich and socially connected communities
- Planning Priority C17: Delivering high quality open space.

3.2.2 Is the Planning Proposal consistent with a council LSPS that has been endorsed by the Planning Secretary or GCC, or another endorsed local strategy or strategic plan?

a. Our Blacktown 2041 - Community strategic plan

The Community strategic plan outlines Council's vision and aspirations for the future of the City and facilitates and manages future growth and development within the City to 2041.

The Community strategic plan identifies 6 strategic directions:

- a vibrant, inclusive and resilient community
- a clean, sustainable and climate resilient city
- a smart and prosperous economy
- a growing city supported by accessible infrastructure
- a healthy, sporting and active city
- a leading city.

As detailed at attachment 1, the Planning Proposal is consistent with the Community Strategic Plan.

b. Blacktown Local Strategic Planning Statement 2020

The Planning Proposal aligns with the *Local Strategic Planning Statement 2020* which is the key strategic land use planning document to facilitate and manage future growth and development within Blacktown City. Refer to appendix 1.

The Planning Proposal meets the following priorities:

- Local Planning Priority 1: Planning for a City supported by infrastructure
- Local Planning Priority 3: Providing services and social infrastructure to meet people's changing needs.
- Local Planning Priority 4: Respecting heritage and fostering healthy, creative, culturally rich and socially connected communities

- Local Planning Priority 15: Delivering high quality open space.

The Planning Proposal supports these Planning Priorities by enabling greater flexibility and efficiency in the use of public land through permitting additional public uses where these are compatible with the primary function of the land.

3.2.3 Is the Planning Proposal consistent with any other applicable State and regional studies or strategies?

The Planning Proposal is consistent with all relevant State and Regional studies and strategies.

3.2.4 Is the Planning Proposal consistent with applicable SEPPs?

The Planning Proposal is consistent with applicable State Environmental Planning Policies, as detailed at appendix 2.

3.2.5 Is the Planning Proposal consistent with applicable Ministerial Directions (section 9.1 Directions) or key government priority?

The Planning Proposal is consistent with the applicable section 9.1 Ministerial Directions, as detailed at appendix 3.

3.3 Section C – Environmental, social and economic impact

3.3.1 Is there any likelihood that critical habitat or threatened species, populations or ecological communities, or their habitats, will be adversely affected because of the proposal?

No. The Planning Proposal will not affect critical habitat or threatened species, populations or ecological communities, or their habitats. The proposed amendments will apply to:

- land that is zoned SP2 Infrastructure (Drainage) and already intended to be used for stormwater management, to permit low impact recreation area uses that do not impact on the primary function of the land
- land that is zoned RE1 Public Recreation to permit drainage or flood mitigation works where appropriate and consistent with the primary function of the land for public open space.

3.3.2 Are there any other likely environmental effects of the Planning Proposal and how are they proposed to be managed?

There are no likely negative environmental effects as a result of the Planning Proposal. Any works related to drainage or recreation will be subject to assessment pathways that will address any potential environmental issues or effects.

3.3.3 Has the Planning Proposal adequately addressed any social and economic effects?

The Planning Proposal is expected to have a beneficial social and economic impact by enabling greater flexibility and efficiency in the use of public land through permitting additional public uses where these are compatible with the primary function of the land.

3.4 Section D – Infrastructure (Local, State and Commonwealth)

3.4.1 Is there adequate public infrastructure for the Planning Proposal?

The Planning Proposal will enhance the functionality and useability of public infrastructure. It will not generate a demand for additional public infrastructure.

3.5 Section E – State and Commonwealth Interests

3.5.1 What are the views of state and federal public authorities and government agencies consulted in order to inform the Gateway determination?

Relevant State and Federal public authorities will be consulted during the Planning Proposal exhibition in line with any conditions of the Gateway determination.

Part 4 – Maps

No map amendments are proposed as apart of this Planning Proposal.

Part 5 – Community consultation

Community consultation will be carried out in line with the requirements of any Gateway determination and the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

Part 6 – Project timeline

The following project timeline provides an estimated timeframe for each stage of the Planning Proposal.

Stage	Timeframe and/or date
Consideration by Local Planning Panel – completed under previous Planning Proposal	10 August 2023
Consideration by Council – completed under previous Planning Proposal	28 October 2023 and 11 December 2024
Gateway determination	May 2025
Pre-Exhibition (if required by Gateway determination)	June 2025
Commencement and completion of public exhibition period	July-August 2025
Consideration of submissions	September 2025
Post-exhibition review and additional studies (if required)	September 2025
Consideration by Council	October 2025
Submission to the Department for finalisation (where applicable)	November 2025
Gazettal of LEP amendment	December 2025

Appendix 1

Consistency with Greater Sydney Region Plan, Central City District Plan, Blacktown Community Strategic Plan and Blacktown Local Strategic Planning Statement

A. Greater Sydney Region Plan – A Metropolis of Three Cities

Section Direction Objective	Does objective apply to the Planning Proposal?	How does this Planning Proposal implement the Direction and Objective?
Infrastructure and Collaboration		
Direction: A city supported by infrastructure		
Objective 1: Infrastructure supports the three cities	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments enable public land to be used and embellished where appropriate to better support our growing communities, regardless of whether land is zoned for recreation or drainage purposes.
Objective 2: Infrastructure aligns with forecast growth – growth infrastructure compact	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments seek greater flexibility greater flexibility and efficiency for Council to provide appropriate infrastructure and works across public land, regardless of whether the land is zoned for recreational or drainage uses, where these uses are compatible with the primary function of the land.
Objective 3: Infrastructure adapts to meet future needs	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments will enable the more efficient use of public land to adapt to growing demand for open space and recreation areas.
Objective 4: Infrastructure use is optimised	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendment will optimise and enable the continuing use of existing infrastructure.
Direction: A collaborative city		
Objective 5: Benefits of growth realised by collaboration of governments, community and business	No	Not applicable.
Livability		
Direction: A city for people		
Objective 6: Services and infrastructure meet communities' changing needs	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments seek greater flexibility and efficiency for Council to provide appropriate infrastructure and works across public land to meet the needs of the growing community.
Objective 7: Communities are healthy, resilient and socially connected	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments will provide additional opportunities for

Section Direction Objective	Does objective apply to the Planning Proposal?	How does this Planning Proposal implement the Direction and Objective?
		recreational uses, which promote community health and social connectivity.
Objective 8: Greater Sydney's communities are culturally rich with diverse neighbourhoods	No	Not applicable.
Objective 9: Greater Sydney celebrates the arts and supports creative industries and innovation	No	Not applicable.
Direction: Housing the city		
Objective 10: Greater housing supply	No	Consistent. The Planning Proposal does not inhibit this objective and will enhance the availability of recreation areas to support housing supply.
Objective 11: Housing is more diverse and affordable	No	Consistent. The Planning Proposal will have an indirect positive impact on housing affordability in that permitting dual uses on public land promotes greater efficiency in the use of public resources
Direction: A city of great places		
Objective 12: Great places that bring people together	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments will provide additional opportunities for recreational uses and informal social interaction.
Objective 13: Environmental heritage is identified, conserved and enhanced	No	Consistent. The proposed amendments will not impact on the identification or conservation of heritage.
Productivity		
Direction: A well-connected city		
Objective 14: A Metropolis of 3 Cities – integrated land use and transport creates walkable and 30 - minute cities	No	Not applicable.
Objective 15: The Eastern, GOP and Western Economic Corridors are better connected and more competitive.	No	Not applicable.
Objective 16: Freight and logistics network is competitive and efficient	No	Not applicable.
Objective 17: Regional connectivity is enhanced	No	Not applicable.
Direction: Jobs and skills for the city		

Section Direction Objective	Does objective apply to the Planning Proposal?	How does this Planning Proposal implement the Direction and Objective?
Objective 18: Harbour CBD is stronger and more competitive	No	Not applicable.
Objective 19: Greater Parramatta is stronger and better connected	No	Not applicable.
Objective 20: Western Sydney Airport and Badgerys Creek Aerotropolis are economic catalysts for Western Parkland City	No	Not applicable.
Objective 21: Internationally competitive health, education, research and innovation precincts	No	Not applicable.
Objective 22: Investment and business activity in centres	No	Not applicable.
Objective 23: Industrial and urban services land is planned, retained and managed	No	Not applicable.
Objective 24: Economic sectors are targeted for success	No	Not applicable.

Sustainability

Direction: A city in its landscape

Objective 25: The coast and waterways are protected and healthier	No	Not applicable.
Objective 26: A cool and green parkland city in the South Creek corridor	No	Not applicable.
Objective 27: Biodiversity is protected, urban bushland and remnant vegetation is enhanced	No	Consistent. The proposed amendments do not inhibit this objective, which will be pursued in the course of developing public land in accordance with the primary zoned function.
Objective 28: Scenic and cultural landscapes are protected	No	Consistent. The proposed amendments do not inhibit this objective, which will be pursued in the course of developing public land in accordance with the primary zoned function.
Objective 29: Environmental, social and economic values in rural areas are protected and enhanced	No	Not applicable.
Objective 30: Urban tree canopy cover is increased	No	Consistent. Council has an Urban Forest Policy and Guideline that promotes improving tree canopy cover in the public domain. The

Section Direction Objective	Does objective apply to the Planning Proposal?	How does this Planning Proposal implement the Direction and Objective?
		proposed amendments do not inhibit this objective, which will be pursued in the course of developing public land in accordance with the primary zoned function.
Objective 31: Public open space is accessible, protected and enhanced	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments will improve accessibility and availability of recreation areas and open space.
Objective 32: The Green Grid links parks, open spaces, bushland and walking and cycling paths	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments will improve the availability of public land for low impact recreation uses including parks, open space, walking and cycling paths, enhancing connectivity across the LGA.
Direction: An efficient city		
Objective 33: A low-carbon city contributes to net-zero emissions by 2050 and mitigates climate change	No	Not applicable.
Objective 34: Energy and water flows are captured, used and re-used	No	Not applicable.
Objective 35: More waste is re-used and recycled to support the development of a circular economy	No	Not applicable.
Direction: A resilient city		
Objective 36: People and places adapt to climate change and future shocks and stresses.	No	Not applicable.
Objective 37: Exposure to natural and urban hazards is reduced	No	Not applicable.
Objective 38: Heatwaves and extreme heat are managed	No	Not applicable.
Implementation		
Objective 39: A collaborative approach to city planning	No	Not applicable.
Objective 40: Plans refined by monitoring and reporting	No	Not applicable.

B. Central City District Plan

Planning Priorities	Does Priority apply to the Planning Proposal?	How does this Planning Proposal implement the Planning Priority and Action
Infrastructure and Collaboration		
C1: Planning for a city supported by Infrastructure	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments enable public land to be used and embellished where appropriate to better support our growing communities, regardless of whether land is zoned for recreation or drainage purposes.
C2: Working through collaboration	No	Not applicable.
Liveability		
C3: Providing services and social infrastructure to meet people's changing needs	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments seek greater flexibility and efficiency for Council to provide appropriate infrastructure and works across public land to meet the needs of the growing community.
C4: Fostering healthy, creative, culturally rich and socially connected communities	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments will provide additional opportunities for recreational uses, which promote community health and social connectivity.
C5: Providing housing supply, choice and affordability, with access to jobs, services and public transport	No	Not applicable.
C6: Creating and renewing great places and local centres, and respecting heritage the District's heritage	No	Consistent. The proposed amendments will not impact on the identification or conservation of heritage.
Productivity		
C7: Growing a stronger and more competitive Greater Parramatta	No	Not applicable.
C8: Delivering a more connected and competitive GPOP Economic Corridor	No	Not applicable.
C9: Delivering integrated land use and transport planning a 30-minute city	No	Not applicable.
C10: Growing investment, business opportunities and jobs in strategic centres	No	Not applicable.
C11: Maximising opportunities to attract advanced manufacturing and innovation in industrial and urban services land	No	Not applicable.

Planning Priorities	Does Priority apply to the Planning Proposal?	How does this Planning Proposal implement the Planning Priority and Action
C12: Supporting growth of targeted industry sectors	No	Not applicable.
Sustainability		
C13: Protecting and improving the health and enjoyment of the District's waterways	No	Not applicable.
C14: Creating a Parkland City urban structure and identity, with South Creek as a defining spatial element	No	Not applicable.
C15: Protecting and enhancing bushland, biodiversity and scenic and cultural landscapes	No	Consistent. The proposed amendments do not inhibit this objective, which will be pursued in the course of developing public land in accordance with the primary zoned function.
C16: Increasing urban tree canopy cover and delivering Green Grid connections	No	Consistent. Council has an Urban Forest Policy and Guideline that promotes improving tree canopy cover in the public domain. The proposed amendments do not inhibit this objective, which will be pursued in the course of developing public land in accordance with the primary zoned function
C17: Delivering high quality open space	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments will improve accessibility and availability of recreation areas and open space.
C18: Better managing rural Areas	No	Not applicable.
C19: Reducing carbon emissions and managing energy, water and waste efficiently	No	Not applicable.
C20: Adapting to the impacts of urban and natural hazards and climate change	No	Not applicable.
Implementation		
C21: Preparing local strategic planning statements informed by local strategic planning	No	Not applicable.
C22: Monitoring and reporting on the delivery of the plan	No	Not applicable.

C. Our Blacktown 2041 - Community Strategic Plan

Strategic direction	Compliance
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A vibrant, inclusive and resilient community	Consistent. The proposed amendments will provide additional opportunities for recreational uses, which promote community health and social connectivity.
A clean, sustainable and climate resilient city	Consistent..
A smart and prosperous economy	Consistent.
A growing city supported by accessible infrastructure	Consistent. The proposed amendments seek greater flexibility and efficiency for Council to provide appropriate infrastructure and works across public land to meet the needs of the growing community.
A healthy, sporting and active city	Consistent. The proposed amendments will provide additional opportunities for recreational uses
A leading city	Consistent.

D. Blacktown Local Strategic Planning Statement 2020

Planning Priorities	Does priority apply to the Planning Proposal?	How does this Planning Proposal implement the Planning Priority and Action
Infrastructure and Collaboration		
LPP 1: Planning for a city supported by Infrastructure	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments enable public land to be used and embellished where appropriate to better support our growing communities, regardless of whether land is zoned for recreation or drainage purposes.
LPP 2: Collaborating, partnering and engaging to implement the LSPS	No	Not applicable.
Liveability		
LPP 3: Providing services and social infrastructure to meet people's changing needs	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments will enable the more efficient use of public land to adapt to growing demand for open space and recreation areas.
LPP 4: Respecting heritage and fostering healthy, creative, culturally rich and socially connected communities	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments will provide additional opportunities for recreational uses, which promote community health and social connectivity. The proposed amendments will not impact on the identification or conservation of heritage.
LPP 5: Providing housing supply, choice and affordability, with access to jobs, services and public transport	No	Not applicable.
LPP 6: Creating and renewing great places and centres	No	Not applicable.
Productivity		
LPP 7: Delivering integrated land use and transport planning and a 30 minute city	No	Not applicable.
LPP 8: Growing mixed use, investment, business and job opportunities in Strategic Centres	No	Not applicable.
LPP 9: Maximising opportunities to attract advanced manufacturing and innovation in industrial and urban services land	No	Not applicable
LPP 10: Growing targeted industry sectors	No	Not applicable.
Sustainability		

Planning Priorities	Does priority apply to the Planning Proposal?	How does this Planning Proposal implement the Planning Priority and Action
LPP 11: Protecting and improving the health and enjoyment of waterways	No	Not applicable.
LPP 12: Creating a Parkland City urban structure and emphasising the importance of South Creek	No	Not applicable.
LPP 13: Protecting and enhancing bushland, biodiversity and scenic and cultural landscapes	No	Consistent. The proposed amendments do not inhibit this objective, which will be pursued in the course of developing public land in accordance with the primary zoned function.
LPP 14: Increasing urban tree canopy cover and Green Grid connections	No	Consistent. Council has an Urban Forest Policy and Guideline that promotes improving tree canopy cover in the public domain. The proposed amendments do not inhibit this objective, which will be pursued in the course of developing public land in accordance with the primary zoned function.
LPP 15: Delivering high quality open space	Yes	Consistent. The proposed amendments seek greater flexibility greater flexibility and efficiency for Council to provide appropriate infrastructure and works across public land, regardless of whether the land is zoned for recreational or drainage uses, where these uses are compatible with the primary function of the land.
LPP 16: Reducing carbon emissions and managing energy, water and waste efficiently	No	Not applicable.
LPP 17: Adapting to the impacts of urban and natural hazards and climate change	No	Not applicable.
Implementation		
LPP 18: Delivering, monitoring and reporting on the actions in the LSPS	No	Not applicable.

Appendix 2

Consistency with Applicable SEPPs

State Environmental Planning Policy	Consistency
State Environmental Planning Policy (Biodiversity and Conservation) 2021	Consistent. The Planning Proposal will not contradict or hinder the application of this SEPP.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008	Consistent. The Planning Proposal will not contradict or hinder the application of this SEPP.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing) 2021	Not applicable. The Planning Proposal seeks to provide greater flexibility in the provision of open space to support our growing communities.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Industry and Employment) 2021	Not applicable.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Planning Systems) 2021	Not applicable.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts—Central River City) 2021	Consistent. The Planning Proposal will not contradict or hinder the application of this SEPP, and seeks to provide greater flexibility in the provision of open space to support our growing communities.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts—Eastern Harbour City) 2021	Not applicable.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts—Regional) 2021	Not applicable.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts—Western Parkland City) 2021	Not applicable.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Primary Production) 2021	Not applicable.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Resilience and Hazards) 2021	Not applicable.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Resources and Energy) 2021	Not applicable.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Sustainable Buildings) 2022	Not applicable.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021	Not applicable.

Appendix 3

Consistency with relevant section 9.1 Directions by the Minister

Direction	Consistency of Planning Proposal
Focus area 1: Planning Systems	
1.1 Implementation of Regional Plans	The Planning Proposal is consistent with this Direction.
1.2 Development of Aboriginal Land Council land	Not applicable.
1.3 Approval and Referral Requirements	Not applicable.
1.4 Site Specific Provisions	Not applicable.
1.4A Exclusion of Development Standards from variation	Not applicable.
Focus area 1: Planning Systems – Place-based	
1.5 Parramatta Road Corridor Urban Transformation Strategy	Not applicable.
1.6 Implementation of North West Priority Growth Area Land Use and Infrastructure Implementation Plan	Consistent. The proposed amendments will improve accessibility and availability of recreation areas and open space. This will support the new communities established in the North West Growth Area, consistent with the intent of the Strategy.
1.7 Implementation of Greater Parramatta Priority Growth Area Interim Land Use and Infrastructure Implementation Plan	Not applicable.
1.8 Implementation of Wilton Priority Growth Area Interim Land Use and Infrastructure Implementation Plan	Not applicable.
1.9 Implementation of Glenfield to Macarthur Urban Renewal Corridor	Not applicable.
1.10 Implementation of Western Sydney Aerotropolis Plan	Not applicable.
1.11 Implementation of Bayside West Precincts 2036 Plan	Not applicable.
1.12 Implementation of Planning Principles for the Cooks Cove Precinct	Not applicable.
1.13 Implementation of St Leonards and Crows Nest 2036 Plan	Not applicable.
1.14 Implementation of Greater Macarthur 2040	Not applicable.
1.15 Implementation of the Pyrmont Peninsula Place Strategy	Not applicable.
1.16 North West Rail Link Corridor Strategy	Consistent. The proposed amendments will enable greater flexibility in the use of public land, where

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	this is compatible with the primary function of the land. This will enhance opportunities for public recreation uses along the North West Rail Link Corridor, where appropriate.
1.17 Implementation of the Bays West Place Strategy	Not applicable.
1.18 Implementation of the Macquarie Park Innovation Precinct	Not applicable.
1.19 Implementation of the Westmead Place Strategy	Not applicable.
1.20 Implementation of the Camellia-Rosehill Place Strategy	Not applicable.
1.21 Implementation of South West Growth Area Structure Plan	Not applicable.
1.22 Implementation of the Cherrybrook Station Place Strategy	Not applicable.
Focus area 2: Design and Place	
Focus area 3: Biodiversity and Conservation	
3.1 Conservation Zones	Not applicable.
3.2 Heritage Conservation	Not applicable.
3.3 Sydney Drinking Water Catchments	Consistent. The proposed addition of 'recreation area' as a use permitted with consent in the SP2 Infrastructure (Drainage) zone is not intended to impede the primary zoned function of the land.
3.4 Application of C2 and C3 Zones and Environmental Overlays in Far North Coast LEPs	Not applicable.
3.5 Recreation Vehicle Areas	Not applicable.
3.6 Strategic Conservation Planning	Not applicable.
3.7 Public Bushland	Consistent. The Planning Proposal will not result in the loss of public bushland.
3.8 Wilandra Lakes Region	Not applicable.
3.9 Sydney Harbour Foreshores and Waterways Area	Not applicable.
3.10 Water Catchment Protection	Not applicable.
Focus area 4: Resilience and Hazards	
4.1 Flooding	Consistent. The proposed additional uses will only be permissible with consent, ensuring that the use is appropriate and does not impede the primary zoned function of the land. The proposed addition of 'drainage' and 'flood mitigation works' as a use permitted with consent on land zoned RE1 Public

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	Recreation will provide additional flexibility for Council to manage flooding on public land.
4.2 Coastal Management	Not applicable.
4.3 Planning for Bushfire Protection	Consistent. The proposed additional uses will only be permissible with consent, ensuring that the use is appropriate in the context of the constraints and hazards of each specific site.
4.4 Remediation of Contaminated Land	Consistent. The proposed additional uses will only be permissible with consent, ensuring that the use is appropriate in the context of the constraints and hazards of each specific site.
4.5 Acid Sulfate Soils	Not applicable.
4.6 Mine Subsidence and Unstable Land	Not applicable.
Focus area 5: Transport and Infrastructure	
5.1 Integrating Land Use and Transport	Not applicable.
5.2 Reserving Land for Public Purposes	Consistent. The Planning Propsoal does not create, alter or reduce existing zoning or reservation of land for public purposes. It seeks to enable the more efficient use of public land, where appropriate.
5.3 Development Near Regulated Airports and Defence Airfields	Not applicable.
5.4 Shooting Ranges	Not applicable.
Focus area 6: Housing	
6.1 Residential Zones	Not applicable.
6.2 Caravan Parks and Manufactured Home Estates	Not applicable.
Focus area 7: Industry and Employment	
7.1 Employment Zones	Not applicable.
7.2 Reduction in non-hosted short term rental accommodation period	Not applicable.
7.3 Commercial and Retail Development along the Pacific Highway, North Coast	Not applicable.
Focus area 8: Resources and Energy	
8.1. Mining, Petroleum Production and Extractive Industries	Not applicable.
Focus area 9: Primary Production	
9.1 Rural Zones	Not applicable.
9.2 Rural Lands	Not applicable.
9.3 Oyster Aquaculture	Not applicable.
9.4 Farmland of State and Regional Significance on the NSW Far North Coast	Not applicable.

